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# THE SENATE

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## Minutes

A meeting of the Senate Appropriations Committee was held on Wednesday, December 4, 2013 at 9:05 am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Capitol Building.

Committee Members present: Senators Kahn (C), Moolenaar, Jansen, Pappageorge, Booher, Caswell, Colbeck, Green, Proos, Schuitmaker, Walker, Anderson, Gregory, and Hopgood.

Absent:

Excused: Senators Hood and Johnson

Senator Kahn gave his opening remarks regarding order of business:

- Organizational—adopt previous meeting minutes
- SB 359 (Sen. Booher) State financing and management; budget; revenue estimating conferences; require to include reporting of unfunded liabilities.
- SB 648 (Sen. Moolenaar) Higher education; financial aid; loan repayment grant program for certain health professionals and students; expand eligibility criteria and increase maximum grant amount.
- SB 649 (Sen. Marleau) Higher education; financial aid; report to legislature on adequacy of maximum award; require for loan repayment grant program for health professionals and students.

A motion to excuse all absent members was made by Senator Moolenaar and supported by Senator Anderson. Without objection, all absent members were excused.

Motion was made by Senator Moolenaar and supported by Senator Anderson to adopt the meeting minutes from November 13, 2013. Without objection the minutes were adopted.

SB 359 (Sen. Booher) State financing and management; budget; revenue estimating conferences; require to include reporting of unfunded liabilities.

Senator Booher provided testimony and background on the bill.

Kerrie Vanden Bosch with the Department of Technology, Management, and Budget provided testimony in opposition to the bill.

SB 648 (Sen. Moolenaar) Higher education; financial aid; loan repayment grant program for certain health professionals and students; expand eligibility criteria and increase maximum grant amount.

Senator Moolenaar provided background on his bill. Steve Angelotti with the Senate Fiscal Agency also provided information on the bill.

Chairman Kahn called up Dr. Tina Tanner and Dr. Julie Phillips with the Michigan Academy of family Physicians to speak in support of SB 648.

Testimony cards were turned in for many groups in support of SB 648 but did not wish to speak. The groups and persons are as follows:

Brett Marr with the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians  
 Steve Japinga with the Michigan State Medical Society  
 Bill Sullivan with the Michigan Dental Association  
 Jim Cavanagh with the Michigan Radiological Society  
 Doug Skinarz with the Wayne State University Medical School  
 Bill Kandler with the American Congress of OB/GYNs  
 Beth Nagel with the Department of Community Health  
 Peter Spadafore with the Michigan Independent Colleges & Universities  
 Greg Bird with wayne State University  
 Denise Sloan with the Michigan Academy of Pediatrics  
 Doug Paterson with the Michigan Primary Care Association  
 Michelle Lange with Oakland University  
 Toby Roth with Central Michigan University  
 Katie John with Western Michigan University  
 Kevin McKinney with the Michigan Osteopathic Association  
 Alice Betz with the American College of Cardiology, Michigan Chapter

SB 649 (Sen. Marleau) Higher education; financial aid; report to legislature on adequacy of maximum award; require for loan repayment grant program for health professionals and students.

Chairman Kahn called up Senator Marleau and Senator Ananich to provide background and testimony in support of SB 649.

Testimony cards were turned in for many groups in support of SB 649 but did not wish to speak. The groups and persons are as follows:

Brett Marr with the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians  
 Steve Japinga with the Michigan State Medical Society  
 Bill Sullivan with the Michigan Dental Association

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The Department of Community Health turned in a card of neutrality on SB 649.

Without objection, Chairman Kahn adjourned at 9:59 am.

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Date Approved by the Committee